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## AN ACT CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR AND TOBACCO BARS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 30-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- For the purposes of this chapter <u>and sections 2 to 5, inclusive, of this</u>
- 4 <u>act</u>, unless the context indicates a different meaning:
- 5 (1) "Airline" means any (A) United States airline carrier holding a
- 6 certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Civil
- 7 Aeronautics Board under Section 401 of the Federal Aviation Act of
- 8 1958, as amended from time to time, or (B) foreign flag carrier holding a
- 9 permit under Section 402 of said act.
- 10 (2) "Alcohol" (A) means the product of distillation of any fermented
- 11 liquid that is rectified at least once and regardless of such liquid's origin,
- and (B) includes synthetic ethyl alcohol which is considered nonpotable.
- 13 (3) "Alcoholic beverage" and "alcoholic liquor" include the four
- varieties of liquor defined in subdivisions (2), (5), (21) and (22) of this

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section (alcohol, beer, spirits and wine) and every liquid or solid, patented or unpatented, containing alcohol, beer, spirits or wine and at least one-half of one per cent alcohol by volume, and capable of being consumed by a human being as a beverage. Any liquid or solid containing more than one of the four varieties so defined belongs to the variety which has the highest percentage of alcohol according to the following order: Alcohol, spirits, wine and beer, except as provided in subdivision (22) of this section.

(4) "Backer" means, except in cases where the permittee is the proprietor, the proprietor of any business or club, incorporated or unincorporated, that is engaged in manufacturing or selling alcoholic liquor and in which business a permittee is associated, whether as an agent, employee or part owner.

- (5) "Beer" means any beverage obtained by the alcoholic fermentation of a decoction or infusion of barley, hops and malt in drinking water.
  - (6) "Boat" means any vessel that is (A) operating on any waterway of this state, and (B) engaged in transporting passengers for hire to or from any port of this state.
- (7) "Case price" means the price of a container made of cardboard, wood or any other material and containing units of the same class and size of alcoholic liquor. A case of alcoholic liquor, other than beer, cocktails, cordials, prepared mixed drinks and wines, shall be in the quantity and number, or fewer, with the permission of the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, of bottles or units as follows: (A) Six one thousand seven hundred fifty milliliter bottles, (B) six one thousand eight hundred milliliter bottles, (C) twelve seven hundred milliliter bottles, (D) twelve seven hundred twenty milliliter bottles, (E) twelve seven hundred fifty milliliter bottles, (F) twelve nine hundred milliliter bottles, (G) twelve one liter bottles, (H) twenty-four three hundred seventy-five milliliter bottles, (I) forty-eight two hundred milliliter bottles, (J) sixty one hundred milliliter bottles, or (K) one hundred twenty fifty milliliter bottles, except a case of fifty milliliter

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- 47 bottles may be in a quantity and number as originally configured, 48 packaged and sold by the manufacturer or out-of-state shipper prior to 49 shipment if the number of such bottles in such case is not greater than 50 two hundred. The commissioner shall not authorize fewer quantities or 51 numbers of bottles or units as specified in this subdivision for any one 52 person or entity more than eight times in any calendar year. For the 53 purposes of this subdivision, "class" has the same meaning as provided 54 in 27 CFR 4.21 for wine, 27 CFR 5.22 for spirits and 27 CFR 7.24 for beer.
  - (8) "Charitable organization" means any nonprofit organization that (A) is organized for charitable purposes, and (B) has received a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service classifying such nonprofit organization as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time.
- 62 (9) "Club" has the same meaning as provided in section 30-22aa.

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- 63 (10) "Coliseum" has the same meaning as provided in section 30-33a.
- 64 (11) "Commission" means the Liquor Control Commission 65 established under this chapter.
- 66 (12) "Department" means the Department of Consumer Protection.
- 67 (13) "Dining room" means any room or rooms (A) located in premises 68 operating under (i) a hotel permit issued under section 30-21, (ii) a 69 restaurant permit issued under subsection (a) of section 30-22, (iii) a 70 restaurant permit for wine and beer issued under subsection (b) of 71 section 30-22, or (iv) a cafe permit issued under section 30-22a, and (B) 72 where meals are customarily served to any member of the public who 73 has means of payment and a proper demeanor.
  - (14) "Mead" means fermented honey (A) with or without additions or adjunct ingredients, and (B) regardless of (i) alcohol content, (ii) process, and (iii) whether such honey is carbonated, sparkling or still.

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- 77 (15) "Minor" means any person who is younger than twenty-one 78 years of age.
- 79 (16) "Nonprofit club" has the same meaning as provided in section 80 30-22aa.
- 81 (17) "Nonprofit public television corporation" has the same meaning 82 as provided in section 30-37d.
- 83 (18) (A) "Person" means an individual, including, but not limited to, 84 a partner.
- 85 (B) "Person" does not include a corporation, joint stock company, 86 limited liability company or other association of individuals.
- 87 (19) (A) "Proprietor" includes all owners of a business or club, 88 incorporated or unincorporated, that is engaged in manufacturing or 89 selling alcoholic liquor, whether such owners are persons, fiduciaries, 90 joint stock companies, stockholders of corporations or otherwise.
  - (B) "Proprietor" does not include any person who, or corporation that, is merely a creditor, whether as a bond holder, franchisor, landlord or note holder, of a business or club, incorporated or unincorporated, that is engaged in manufacturing or selling alcoholic liquor.

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- 95 (20) "Restaurant" has the same meaning as provided in section 30-22.
- 96 (21) "Spirits" means any beverage that contains alcohol obtained by 97 distillation mixed with drinkable water and other substances in 98 solution, including brandy, rum, whiskey and gin.
- 99 (22) "Wine" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by fermenting the 100 natural sugar content of fruits, such as apples, grapes or other agricultural products, containing such sugar, including fortified wines 102 such as port, sherry and champagne.
- 103 Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) For the purposes of this 104 section:

LCO No. 3128 4 of 45 (1) "Auctioneer" means any person who (A) regularly provides professional services by auctioning items for sale, and (B) does not hold any other permit issued under chapter 545 of the general statutes; and

- (2) "Individual collector" means any person who is not (A) a backer or permittee, (B) an employee of the backer of a temporary auction permit issued under this section, or (C) a director or officer of the backer of any other permit issued under chapter 545 of the general statutes.
- (b) A temporary auction permit issued under this section shall allow the sale of beer, spirits and wine obtained from one or more individual collectors or holders of package store permits issued under section 30-20 of the general statutes through an auction conducted by an auctioneer. Such auction may be conducted, in person or online, only during the hours specified in subsection (d) of section 30-91 of the general statutes, as amended by this act.
- (c) To obtain a temporary auction permit under this section, an auctioneer shall submit an application to the department, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, at least sixty days before the first day of the auction to be conducted under such permit. The auctioneer applicant shall serve as the backer of such permit. Each such permit shall be valid for one auction and shall be effective for a period not to exceed three consecutive days in duration. The department may issue not more than four temporary auction permits to a backer in any calendar year. The fee for a temporary auction permit shall be one hundred seventy-five dollars per day.
- (d) The auctioneer shall obtain all beer, spirits and wine that are the subject of an auction conducted under a temporary auction permit issued under this section from one or more individual collectors or holders of package store permits issued under section 30-20 of the general statutes. The auctioneer shall only accept beer, spirits or wine that (1) was lawfully acquired by (A) an individual collector, or (B) the holder of a package store permit issued under section 30-20 of the general statutes who purchased such beer, spirits or wine from the

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holder of a wholesaler permit issued under section 30-17 of the general statutes, and (2) bears an intact seal from the manufacturer of such beer, spirits or wine. An individual collector or holder of a package store permit issued under section 30-20 of the general statutes may sell or consign such beer, spirits or wine to the auctioneer. All unsold consigned beer, spirits or wine shall be returned to the individual collector or holder of the package store permit issued under section 30-20 of the general statutes not later than ten days after the final day of such auction.

- (e) All beer, spirits and wine sold at an auction conducted pursuant to a temporary auction permit issued under this section is exempt from the requirements of sections 30-63 and 30-68m of the general statutes. Except for unsold consigned beer, spirits or wine that an auctioneer returns to the holder of a package store permit issued under section 30-20 of the general statutes, no such beer, spirits or wine may be resold, offered for sale or otherwise used on the permit premises of any other permittee operating under, or the backer of any other permittee operating under, any other permit issued under chapter 545 of the general statutes.
- (f) A holder of a temporary auction permit issued under this section may offer free samples of any beer, spirits or wine to be sold at auction for tasting, provided the holder sends a notice to the department, at least thirty days before the first day of such auction and in a form and manner prescribed by the department, disclosing that the holder intends to offer such free samples for tasting. Any tasting shall be conducted only during the hours in which the holder of a temporary auction permit issued under this section is authorized to sell alcoholic liquor under subsection (d) of section 30-91 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. No tasting shall be offered to any minor or intoxicated person, or from more than ten uncorked or open cans or bottles at any one time. Any town or municipality may, by ordinance or zoning regulation, prohibit the offering of such free samples by the holders of temporary auction permits issued under this section at events or functions held in such town or municipality.

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(g) A temporary auction permit issued under this section shall allow for the delivery and shipment of any beer, spirits or wine sold at an auction conducted pursuant to such permit directly to the consumer who purchased such beer, spirits or wine. Any shipment to a consumer outside of this state is subject to all applicable laws of the jurisdiction in which such consumer is located. When shipping such beer, spirits or wine directly to a consumer in this state, the holder of such permit shall: (1) Ensure that the shipping label on each container containing such beer, spirits or wine states the following: "CONTAINS ALCOHOL -SIGNATURE OF A PERSON AGE 21 OR OLDER REQUIRED FOR DELIVERY"; (2) obtain the signature of a person who is at least twentyone years of age at the delivery address prior to delivery, after requiring such person to demonstrate that such person is at least twenty-one years of age by providing a valid motor vehicle operator's license or a valid identity card described in section 1-1h of the general statutes; (3) not ship such beer, spirits or wine to any address in this state where the sale of alcoholic liquor is prohibited by local option pursuant to section 30-9 of the general statutes; and (4) make any such shipment through the use of a person who holds an in-state transporter's permit issued under section 30-19f of the general statutes.

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(h) The department may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 3. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) An outdoor open-air permit shall allow the retail sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on a lot, yard, green or other outdoor open space, provided: (1) The retail sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor is allowed in such space by the applicable local zoning, health and fire marshal officials; (2) the permitted premises is not more than one square acre in size; (3) a temporary fence or a wall not less than thirty inches high encloses the permitted area; (4) restrooms or enclosed portable toilets are available either within the permitted area or nearby; and (5) food is available for sale to consumers for consumption on the permitted premises during all hours that the permittee is engaging in the retail sale of alcoholic liquor.

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Any such food may be prepared on the permitted premises, be provided by a food truck or a caterer or consist of prepackaged items. The availability of area menus for delivery shall be deemed to constitute compliance with such requirement. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require that food be purchased with an alcoholic beverage.

- (b) Tents, mobile units and other temporary fixtures may be included within the permitted premises. A permittee under this section shall maintain the permitted premises in a manner consistent with all applicable local zoning, health and fire requirements.
- (c) The outdoor open-air permit shall be issued by the department subject to the limitations on hours of operation for a restaurant permittee, as specified in subsection (a) of section 30-91 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. No such permit shall be renewable. Any backer of the permittee may apply for only one outdoor open-air permit per calendar year. The provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection (b) and subsection (c) of section 30-39 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, do not apply to outdoor open-air permits. The annual fee for each outdoor open-air permit shall be four thousand dollars.
- (d) The outdoor open-air permit shall allow the sale at retail of draught beer for off-premises consumption in sealed containers supplied by the permittee. Such sales shall be conducted only during the hours in which a package store may sell alcoholic liquor under the provisions of subsection (d) of section 30-91 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. Not more than four liters of such beer shall be sold to any person on any day on which the sale of alcoholic liquor is authorized under the provisions of subsection (d) of section 30-91 of the general statutes, as amended by this act.
- Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) For the purposes of this section:
- 235 (1) "Cocktail keg" means any individual container of a cocktail or 236 prepared mixed drink that is sealed by the (A) manufacturer of such

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- 237 cocktail or prepared mixed drink, or (B) the holder of a wholesaler 238 permit issued under section 30-17 of the general statutes; and
- 239 (2) "Qualified retail permittee" means the holder of a permit issued 240 under chapter 545 of the general statutes, which permit authorizes such 241 holder to sell cocktails and prepared mixed drinks for on-premises 242 consumption.
- 243 (b) Any holder of a wholesaler permit issued under section 30-17 of 244 the general statutes that sells, at wholesale, a cocktail keg to a qualified retail permittee shall, at the time of such sale:
- 246 (1) Place an identification tag on the cocktail keg;

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- 247 (2) Require the qualified retail permittee who purchases the cocktail 248 keg to sign a receipt for such cocktail keg; and
  - (3) Disclose to the qualified retail permittee who purchases the cocktail keg that any deposit paid by such qualified retail permittee for such cocktail keg shall be forfeited if (A) such qualified retail permittee returns such cocktail keg to such wholesaler permittee without the identification tag required under subdivision (1) of this subsection, or (B) when such qualified retail permittee returns such cocktail keg to such wholesaler permittee, the identification tag required under subdivision (1) of this subsection is not intact and readable.
  - (c) (1) The identification tag required under subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section shall be in the form of a numbered label, prescribed and furnished by the department, that clearly identifies the wholesaler permittee seller of the cocktail keg. Each such identification tag shall be fabricated and made attachable in a manner that enables the wholesaler permittee who sells such cocktail keg to easily remove such identification tag for the purposes of cleaning and reusing such cocktail keg.
  - (2) The receipt required under subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section shall be on a form prescribed and furnished by the department,

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- (3) A wholesaler permittee may make the disclosure required under subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of this section verbally or in such other manner as the department may require under regulations adopted under section 30-6a of the general statutes, as amended by this act.
- (4) The department may charge a reasonable fee for furnishing the forms required under subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, which fee shall not exceed the actual cost of furnishing such forms.
- (d) No wholesaler permittee may refund any deposit upon the returnof any cocktail keg that:
  - (1) Does not have an identification tag required under subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section; or
- (2) Has an identification tag that has been defaced to the extent that the information contained on such identification tag cannot be read.
- 290 (e) Any violation of this section shall be sufficient cause to revoke or 291 suspend a wholesaler permit issued under section 30-17 of the general 292 statutes.
  - Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The department shall issue an event sales permit to a holder of a manufacturer permit issued under section 30-16 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, upon submission of proof to the department that such holder is in compliance

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- with the applicable permit requirements established in subsection (a), (b), (c) or (d) of section 30-16 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, as applicable. An event sales permit issued under this section shall authorize the sale of products manufactured by the manufacturer permittee at an event during the hours specified in subsection (d) of section 30-91 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, provided the holder of such event sales permit:
  - (1) Has received an invitation from the organizer of the event to sell such products at such event; and

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- (2) Is present, or has an authorized representative present, at the timeeach such product is sold at the event.
  - (b) Each event sales permit issued under this section shall be valid for a period not longer than four consecutive days beginning on the first day of the event that is the subject of such event sales permit. The nonrefundable application fee for each event sales permit shall be seventy-five dollars.
- 313 (c) Any town or municipality may, by ordinance or zoning 314 regulation, prohibit the sale of products manufactured by the holders of 315 event sales permits issued under this section at events held in such town 316 or municipality.
- Sec. 6. Section 30-6a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
  - (a) The Department of Consumer Protection may adopt in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 all necessary regulations, subject to the provisions of [subsection (c)] <u>subsections (b) to (e)</u>, inclusive, of this section, to: (1) Carry out, enforce and prevent violation of the provisions of this chapter; [,] (2) inspect permit premises; [,] (3) ensure sanitary conditions; [,] (4) ensure proper, safe and orderly conduct of permit premises; [,] and (5) protect the public against fraud or overcharge.
  - (b) More specifically, with respect to part V of this chapter, the

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Department of Consumer Protection may adopt in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 regulations that are necessary to: (1) [carry] Carry out the purposes of section 30-64 and prevent the circumvention thereof by the offering or giving of any rebate, allowance, free goods, discount or any other thing or service of value; (2) permit the withdrawal of, an addition to, a deletion from or an amendment of any schedule, or a modification of prices therein, when not inconsistent with the purposes of [said] section 30-64, whenever necessary to avoid practical difficulties or unnecessary hardships to any permittee affected by [said] section 30-64 or because of acts or circumstances beyond the control of such permittee and under such terms and conditions as are necessary to carry out the purposes of [said] section 30-64; (3) permit the sale by a retailer of a brand of alcoholic liquor or wine for which a schedule of suggested consumer resale prices has not been and cannot be filed, whenever necessary to avoid practical difficulties or unnecessary hardships to any permittee affected by [said] section 30-64 or because of acts or circumstances beyond the control of such permittee, and under such terms and conditions as are necessary to carry out the purposes of [said] section 30-64; (4) subject to the provisions of section 30-63e, permit the closeout of a brand for the purpose of discontinuing its sale, under such terms and conditions as are necessary to carry out the purposes of [said] section 30-64; (5) carry out the purposes of sections 30-68k to 30-68m, inclusive, and section 30-76a and prevent their circumvention; (6) on verified application, and for good cause shown, permit any adjustment or change of any item on the schedule required to be filed under [section] sections 30-63 and [said section 30-64; and (7) permit the sale at a price which is less than cost by a supplier, wholesaler or retailer for any item of alcoholic liquor, except beer, that is damaged or deteriorated in quality, or, subject to the provisions of section 30-63f, permit the closeout of a brand or size for the purpose of discontinuing its sale, under such terms and conditions as are necessary to carry out the purposes of sections 30-68k to 30-68m, inclusive, and section 30-76a.

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(c) Not later than October 1, 2021, the Department of Consumer

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(d) Not later than October 1, 2023, the Department of Consumer Protection shall amend such regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to provide that: (1) Beer or wine pipe lines and barrel tubes used to dispense alcoholic beverages in places where such dispensing is carried on shall be cleaned, at least once every two weeks, by the use of a hydraulic pressure mechanism, hand pump suction, a force cleaner or any other system approved by the department for such purpose; and (2) after cleaning such lines or tubes, such lines or tubes shall be rinsed with clear water until all chemicals used to clean such lines or tubes, if chemicals were used to clean such lines or tubes, are removed from such lines or tubes.

[(d)] (e) The department shall not adopt any regulation: (1) Requiring prior approval of alterations or changes in the interior or exterior of permit premises; (2) requiring prior approval for live entertainment or the installation of amusement devices or games; (3) requiring registration of employees or agents of permittees; (4) requiring the presence of retail permittees on permit premises during hours of sale or prohibiting employment of such permittees in another occupation or business except as provided in section 30-45; (5) establishing a mandated minimum price above which a permittee must sell; or (6) requiring effective separation for restaurants and cafes.

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Sec. 7. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 30-14 of the general statutes 395 are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

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- (a) Each permit shall be a purely personal privilege that is revocable in the discretion of the Department of Consumer Protection, and subject to appeal, as provided in section 30-55. Except as otherwise provided in the general statutes, including, but not limited to, sections 30-25, 30-35, 30-37b, 30-37d, 30-37g, [and] 30-37h and sections 2 and 5 of this act, each permit shall expire annually. No permit shall constitute property, be subject to attachment and execution or be alienable, except a permit shall descend to the estate of a deceased permittee by the laws of testate or intestate succession. An airline permit issued under section 30-28a or a cafe permit issued under subsection (h) of section 30-22a shall be granted to the airline corporation or railway corporation and not to any person, and the corporation shall be the permittee.
- (b) Any permit in this part, except a permit issued under sections 30-25, 30-35, 30-37b, 30-37d, 30-37g, [and] 30-37h and sections 2 and 5 of this act, may be issued for a continuous period of not more than six consecutive calendar months, at two-thirds of regular fees, but rebate of fees shall not be permitted for any unexpired portion of the term of a permit revoked by reason of a violation of any provision of this chapter.
- 415 Sec. 8. Section 30-16 of the general statutes is repealed and the 416 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
  - (a) As used in this subsection, "proof gallon" has the same meaning as provided in section 12-433. A manufacturer permit for spirits shall allow the manufacture of spirits and the storage, bottling and wholesale distribution and sale of spirits manufactured or bottled to permittees in this state and without the state as may be permitted by law; but no such permit shall be granted unless the place or the plan of the place of manufacture has received the approval of the Department of Consumer Protection. The holder of a manufacturer permit for spirits who produces less than fifty thousand proof gallons of spirits in a calendar

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(b) A manufacturer permit for beer shall allow the manufacture of

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beer and the storage, bottling and wholesale distribution and sale of beer manufactured or bottled on the premises of the permittee to permittees in this state and without the state as may be permitted by law, but no such permit shall be granted unless the place or the plan of the place of manufacture has received the approval of the Department of Consumer Protection. A holder of a manufacturer permit for beer who sells beer brewed on such premises at wholesale to retail permittees within this state shall make such beer available to all holders of a package store permit issued pursuant to section 30-20 and to all holders of a grocery store beer permit held pursuant to said section in the geographical region in which the holder of the manufacturer permit for beer self distributes, subject to reasonable limitations, as determined by the Department of Consumer Protection. Such permit shall also allow (1) the retail sale of such beer under (A) a farmers' market sales permit issued under section 30-37o, as amended by this act, or (B) an event sales permit issued under section 5 of this act, (2) the retail sale of such beer, and beer brewed in collaboration with at least one other holder of such a permit, to be consumed on the premises with or without the sale of food, [(2)] (3) the selling at retail from the premises of sealed bottles or other sealed containers of beer brewed on such premises, or in collaboration with at least one other holder of such a permit, for consumption off the premises, and [(3)] (4) the sale of sealed bottles or other sealed containers of beer brewed on such premises to the holder of a wholesaler permit issued pursuant to section 30-17, provided the holder of such permit produces at least five thousand gallons of beer on the premises annually. Such selling at retail from the premises of sealed bottles or other sealed containers shall comply with the provisions of subsection (d) of section 30-91, as amended by this act, and shall permit not more than nine gallons of beer to be sold to any person on any day on which such sale is authorized under the provisions of subsection (d) of section 30-91, as amended by this act. The annual fee for a manufacturer permit for beer shall be one thousand four hundred dollars. For the purposes of this subsection and section 30-22d, "collaboration" means an arrangement, other than contract brewing or an alternating proprietorship, under which the holder of a manufacturer

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permit for beer issued under this subsection works together with at least one other such permit holder to manufacture beer by, among other things, sharing the beer recipe or at least forty-nine per cent of the ingredients or labor necessary to manufacture such beer.

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- (c) (1) A manufacturer permit for a farm winery shall be in all respects the same as a manufacturer permit, except that the scope of operations of the holder shall be limited to wine and brandies distilled from grape products or other fruit products, including grappa and eau-de-vie. As used in this section, "farm winery" means any place or premises that is located on a farm in the state in which wine is manufactured and sold.
- (2) Such permit shall, at the single principal premises of the farm winery, authorize (A) the sale in bulk by the holder thereof from the premises where the products are manufactured pursuant to such permit; (B) as to a manufacturer who produces one hundred thousand gallons of wine or less per year, the sale and shipment by the holder thereof to a retailer of wine manufactured by the farm winery permittee in the original sealed containers of not more than fifteen gallons per container; (C) the sale and shipment by the holder thereof of wine manufactured by the farm winery permittee to persons outside the state; (D) the offering and tasting of free samples of such wine or brandy, dispensed out of bottles or containers having capacities of not more than two gallons per bottle or container, to visitors and prospective retail customers for consumption on the premises of the farm winery permittee; (E) the sale at retail from the premises of sealed bottles or other sealed containers of such wine or brandy for consumption off the premises; (F) the sale at retail from the premises of wine or brandy by the glass and bottle to visitors on the premises of the farm winery permittee for consumption on the premises; and (G) subject to the provisions of subdivision (3) of this subsection, the sale and delivery or shipment of wine manufactured by the permittee directly to a consumer in this state. Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (D), (E) and (F) of this subdivision, a town may, by ordinance or zoning regulation, prohibit any such offering, tasting or selling at retail at premises within such town for which a manufacturer permit for a farm

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- (3) A permittee, when selling and shipping wine directly to a consumer in this state, shall: (A) Ensure that the shipping labels on all containers of wine shipped directly to a consumer in this state conspicuously state the following: "CONTAINS ALCOHOL – SIGNATURE OF A PERSON AGE 21 OR OLDER REQUIRED FOR DELIVERY"; (B) obtain the signature of a person age twenty-one or older at the address prior to delivery, after requiring the signer to demonstrate that [he or she] <u>such signer</u> is age twenty-one or older by providing a valid motor vehicle operator's license or a valid identity card described in section 1-1h; (C) not ship more than five gallons of wine in any two-month period to any person in this state; (D) pay, to the Department of Revenue Services, all sales taxes and alcoholic beverage taxes due under chapters 219 and 220 on sales of wine to consumers in this state, and file, with said department, all sales tax returns and alcoholic beverage tax returns relating to such sales; (E) report to the Department of Consumer Protection a separate and complete record of all sales and shipments to consumers in the state, on a ledger sheet or similar form which readily presents a chronological account of such permittee's dealings with each such consumer; (F) not ship to any address in the state where the sale of alcoholic liquor is prohibited by local option pursuant to section 30-9; and (G) hold an in-state transporter's permit pursuant to section 30-19f or make any such shipment through the use of a person who holds such an in-state transporter's permit.
- (4) No licensed farm winery may sell any such wine or brandy not manufactured by such winery, except a licensed farm winery may sell from the premises (A) wine manufactured by another farm winery located in this state, and (B) brandy manufactured from fruit harvested in this state and distilled off the premises in this state.
- (5) The farm winery permittee shall grow on the premises of the farm winery or on property under the same ownership and control of said permittee or leased by the backer of a farm winery permit or by said

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permittee within the farm winery's principal state an average crop of fruit equal to not less than twenty-five per cent of the fruit used in the manufacture of the farm winery permittee's wine. An average crop shall be defined each year as the average yield of the farm winery permittee's two largest annual crops out of the preceding five years, except that during the first seven years from the date of issuance of a farm winery permit, an average crop shall be defined as three tons of grapes for each acre of vineyard farmed by the farm winery permittee. Such seven-year period shall not begin anew if the property for which the farm winery permit is held is transferred or sold during such seven-year period. In the event the farm winery consists of more than one property, the aggregate acreage of the farm winery shall not be less than five acres.

- (6) A holder of a manufacturer permit for a farm winery, when advertising or offering wine for direct shipment to a consumer in this state via the Internet or any other on-line computer network, shall clearly and conspicuously state such liquor permit number in its advertising.
- (7) A holder of a manufacturer permit for a farm winery may sell and offer free tastings of wine manufactured from such winery at a farmers' market, as defined in section 22-6r, that is operated as a nonprofit enterprise or association, provided such farmers' market invites such holder to sell wine at such farmers' market and such holder has a farmers' market wine sales permit issued by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection in accordance with the provisions of [subsection (a) of] section 30-37o, as amended by this act.
- (8) A holder of a manufacturer permit for a farm winery may sell wine manufactured by such farm winery under an event sales permit issued under section 5 of this act.
- [(8)] (9) The annual fee for a manufacturer permit for a farm winery shall be three hundred dollars.
- (d) (1) A manufacturer permit for wine, cider and mead shall allow the manufacture of wine, cider not exceeding six per cent alcohol by

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volume, apple wine not exceeding fifteen per cent alcohol by volume, apple brandy, eau-de-vie and mead and the storage, bottling and wholesale distribution and sale of wine, cider not exceeding six per cent alcohol by volume, apple wine not exceeding fifteen per cent alcohol by volume, apple brandy, eau-de-vie and mead manufactured or bottled by the permit holder to permittees in this state and without the state as may be permitted by law; but no such permit shall be granted unless the place or the plan of the place of manufacture has received the approval of the Department of Consumer Protection.

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(2) Such permit shall, at a single principal premises, authorize (A) the sale in bulk by the holder thereof from the premises where the products are manufactured pursuant to such permit; (B) as to a manufacturer who produces one hundred thousand gallons or less per year of products manufactured pursuant to such permit, the sale and shipment by the holder thereof to a retailer of such products manufactured by the permittee in the original sealed containers of not more than fifteen gallons per container; (C) the sale and shipment by the holder thereof of such products manufactured by the permittee to persons outside the state; (D) the offering and tasting of free samples of such products, dispensed out of bottles or containers having capacities of not more than two gallons per bottle or container, to visitors and prospective retail customers for consumption on the premises of the permittee; (E) subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of section 30-91, as amended by this act, the sale at retail from the premises of sealed bottles or other sealed containers of such products for consumption off the premises; (F) the sale at retail from the premises of such products by the glass and bottle to visitors on the premises of the permittee for consumption on the premises; and (G) subject to the provisions of subdivision (3) of this subsection, the sale and delivery or shipment of such products manufactured by the permittee directly to a consumer in this state. Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (D), (E) and (F) of this subdivision, a town may, by ordinance or zoning regulation, prohibit any such offering, tasting or selling at retail at premises within such town for which a manufacturer permit has been issued.

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(3) A permittee, when selling and shipping a product produced pursuant to this permit, directly to a consumer in this state, shall: (A) Ensure that the shipping labels on all containers of such products shipped directly to a consumer in this state conspicuously state the following: "CONTAINS ALCOHOL-SIGNATURE OF A PERSON AGE 21 OR OLDER REQUIRED FOR DELIVERY"; (B) obtain the signature of a person age twenty-one or older at the address prior to delivery, after requiring the signer to demonstrate that [he or she] such signer is age twenty-one or older by providing a valid motor vehicle operator's license or a valid identity card described in section 1-1h; (C) not ship more than five gallons of product produced pursuant to this permit in any two-month period to any person in this state; (D) pay, to the Department of Revenue Services, all sales taxes and alcoholic beverage taxes due under chapters 219 and 220 on sales of products produced pursuant to this permit to consumers in this state, and file, with said department, all sales tax returns and alcoholic beverage tax returns relating to such sales; (E) report to the Department of Consumer Protection a separate and complete record of all sales and shipments to consumers in the state, on a ledger sheet or similar form which readily presents a chronological account of such permittee's dealings with each such consumer; (F) not ship to any address in the state where the sale of alcoholic liquor is prohibited by local option pursuant to section 30-9; and (G) hold an in-state transporter's permit pursuant to section 30-19f or make any such shipment through the use of a person who holds such an in-state transporter's permit.

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(4) No holder of a manufacturer permit for wine, cider and mead may sell any product not manufactured by such permit holder, except such permittee may sell from the premises (A) wine, cider not exceeding six per cent alcohol by volume, apple wine not exceeding fifteen per cent alcohol by volume, apple brandy and eau-de-vie and mead manufactured by another such permit holder located in this state, and (B) brandy manufactured from fruit harvested in this state and distilled off the premises in this state.

(5) A holder of a manufacturer permit for wine, cider and mead,

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when advertising or offering products for direct shipment to a consumer in this state via the Internet or any other on-line computer network, shall clearly and conspicuously state such liquor permit number in its advertising.

- (6) A holder of a manufacturer permit for wine, cider and mead may sell and offer free tastings of products produced pursuant to such permit that are manufactured by such permit holder at a farmers' market, as defined in section 22-6r, that is operated as a nonprofit enterprise or association, provided such farmers' market invites such holder to sell such products at such farmers' market and such holder has a farmers' market sales permit issued by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection in accordance with the provisions of [subsection (a) of] section 30-37o, as amended by this act.
- 675 (7) A holder of a manufacturer permit for wine, cider and mead may 676 sell wine, cider or mead manufactured by such manufacturer under an 677 event sales permit issued under section 5 of this act.
  - [(7)] (8) The annual fee for a manufacturer permit for wine, cider and mead shall be two hundred dollars.
- Sec. 9. Section 30-22e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
  - (a) A seasonal outdoor open-air permit shall allow the retail sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on a lot, yard, green or other outdoor open space, provided: (1) The retail sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor is allowed in such space by the applicable local zoning, health and fire marshal officials; (2) the permitted premises is not more than one square acre in size; (3) a temporary fence or a wall not less than thirty inches high encloses the permitted area; (4) restrooms or enclosed portable toilets are available either within the permitted area or nearby; and (5) food is available for sale to consumers for consumption on the permitted premises during all hours that the permittee is engaging in the retail sale of alcoholic liquor. Any such food may be prepared on the permitted premises, be provided by a food truck or a caterer [,] or

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- 694 consist of prepackaged items. The availability of area menus for delivery
- shall be deemed in compliance with the requirements of this subsection.
- Nothing in this section shall be construed to require that food be
- 697 purchased with an alcoholic beverage.

- (b) Tents, mobile units and other temporary fixtures may be included within the permitted premises. A permittee under this section shall maintain the permitted premises in a manner consistent with all applicable local zoning, health and fire requirements.
  - (c) The seasonal outdoor open-air permit shall be effective either April first to September thirtieth, inclusive, or May first to October thirty-first, inclusive, of the same year. Such permit shall be issued by the Department of Consumer Protection subject to the limitations on hours of operation for a restaurant permittee, as specified in section 30-91, as amended by this act. No such permit shall be renewable. [, and the department shall not issue a provisional seasonal outdoor open-air permit.] Any backer of the permittee may apply for only one seasonal outdoor open-air permit per calendar year. The provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection (b) and subsection (c) of section 30-39, as amended by this act, do not apply to seasonal outdoor open-air permits. The annual fee for each seasonal outdoor open-air permit shall be two thousand dollars.
  - (d) The seasonal outdoor open-air permit shall allow the sale at retail of draught beer for [off-premise] off-premises consumption in sealed containers supplied by the permittee. Such sales shall be conducted only during the hours a package store is permitted to sell alcoholic liquor under the provisions of subsection (d) of section 30-91, as amended by this act. Not more than four liters of such beer shall be sold to any person on any day on which the sale of alcoholic liquor is authorized under the provisions of subsection (d) of section 30-91, as amended by this act.
- Sec. 10. Section 30-370 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
  - (a) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall issue a farmers'

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726 market sales permit to [a] the holder of a manufacturer permit [for a 727 farm winery, the holder of a manufacturer permit for wine, cider and 728 mead or the holder of a manufacturer permit for beer] issued under 729 section 30-16, as amended by this act, upon submission of proof to the 730 commissioner that such holder is in compliance with the [applicable] 731 permit requirements [of] established in subsection (a), (b), (c) or (d) of 732 section 30-16, as amended by this act, as applicable. [Such permit] A farmers' market sales permit issued under this section shall authorize 733 734 the sale of products manufactured by [such permittees] the 735 manufacturer permittee during an unlimited number of appearances at 736 a farmers' market, at not more than ten farmers' market locations per 737 year, provided [such] the holder of such permit:

- 738 (1) Has <u>received</u> an invitation from such farmers' market to sell such 739 products at such farmers' market; [,]
- 740 (2) [only] <u>Only</u> sells such products by the bottle or sealed container at 741 such farmers' [markets,] <u>market</u>; and

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- (3) [is] <u>Is</u> present, or has an authorized representative present, at the time [of sale of any] <u>each</u> such product [from such permit holder] <u>is sold</u> at such farmers' market <u>under such permit</u>.
- (b) [Any such] Each farmers' market sales permit issued under this section shall be valid for a [period of one year from the] one-year period beginning on the date [of issuance] the commissioner issues such permit. The annual fee for [such] each farmers' market sales permit shall be two hundred fifty dollars, [. There] and there shall be a nonrefundable one-hundred-dollar [, nonrefundable] filing fee for [any] each such permit.
  - [(b)] (c) Any town or municipality may, by ordinance or zoning regulation, prohibit the sale of [such] products manufactured by the [holder] holders of [such permit] farmers' market sales permits issued under this section at [a] farmers' [market] markets held in such town or municipality.

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Sec. 11. Subsection (b) of section 30-39 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

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(b) (1) Any person desiring a liquor permit or a renewal of such a permit shall make an affirmed application therefor to the Department of Consumer Protection, upon forms to be furnished by the department, showing the name and address of the applicant and of the applicant's backer, if any, the location of the club or place of business which is to be operated under such permit and a financial statement setting forth all elements and details of any business transactions connected with the application. Such application shall include a detailed description of the type of live entertainment that is to be provided. A club or place of business shall be exempt from providing such detailed description if the club or place of business (A) was issued a liquor permit prior to October 1, 1993, and (B) has not altered the type of entertainment provided. The application shall also indicate any crimes of which the applicant or the applicant's backer may have been convicted. Applicants shall submit documents sufficient to establish that state and local building, fire and zoning requirements and local ordinances concerning hours and days of sale will be met, except that local building and zoning requirements and local ordinances concerning hours and days of sale shall not apply to a cafe permit issued under subsection (d) or (h) of section 30-22a. The State Fire Marshal or the marshal's certified designee shall be responsible for approving compliance with the State Fire Code at Bradley International Airport. Any person desiring a permit provided for in section 30-33b shall file a copy of such person's license with such application if such license was issued by the Department of Consumer Protection. The department may, at its discretion, conduct an investigation to determine whether a permit shall be issued to an applicant.

(2) The applicant shall pay to the department a nonrefundable application fee, which fee shall be in addition to the fees prescribed in this chapter for the permit sought. An application fee shall not be charged for an application to renew a permit. The application fee shall

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be in the amount of ten dollars for the filing of each application for a permit by a charitable organization under section 30-37b, including a nonprofit public television corporation under section 30-37d, a nonprofit golf tournament permit under section 30-37g, a temporary permit under section 30-35 or a special club permit under section 30-25; and in the amount of one hundred dollars for the filing of an initial application for all other permits. Any permit issued shall be valid only for the purposes and activities described in the application.

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(3) The applicant, immediately after filing an application, shall give notice thereof, with the name and residence of the permittee, the type of permit applied for and the location of the place of business for which such permit is to be issued and the type of live entertainment to be provided, all in a form prescribed by the department, by publishing the same in a newspaper having a circulation in the town in which the place of business to be operated under such permit is to be located, at least once a week for two successive weeks, the first publication to be not more than seven days after the filing date of the application and the last publication not more than fourteen days after the filing date of the application. The applicant shall affix, and maintain in a legible condition upon the outer door of the building wherein such place of business is to be located and clearly visible from the public highway, the placard provided by the department, not later than the day following the receipt of the placard by the applicant. If such outer door of such premises is so far from the public highway that such placard is not clearly visible as provided, the department shall direct a suitable method to notify the public of such application. When an application is filed for any type of permit for a building that has not been constructed, such applicant shall erect and maintain in a legible condition a sign not less than six feet by four feet upon the site where such place of business is to be located, instead of such placard upon the outer door of the building. The sign shall set forth the type of permit applied for and the name of the proposed permittee, shall be clearly visible from the public highway and shall be so erected not later than the day following the receipt of the placard. Such applicant shall make a return to the department, under

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oath, of compliance with the foregoing requirements, in such form as the department may determine, but the department may require any additional proof of such compliance. Upon receipt of evidence of such compliance, the department may hold a hearing as to the suitability of the proposed location. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to applications for (A) airline permits issued under section 30-28a, (B) charitable organization permits issued under section 30-37b, (C) temporary permits issued under section 30-35, (D) special club permits issued under section 30-25, (E) concession permits issued under section 30-33, (F) military permits issued under section 30-34, (G) cafe permits issued under subsection (h) of section 30-22a, (H) warehouse permits issued under section 30-32, (I) broker's permits issued under section 30-30, (J) out-of-state shipper's permits for alcoholic liquor issued under section 30-18, (K) out-of-state shipper's permits for beer issued under section 30-19, (L) coliseum permits issued under section 30-33a, (M) nonprofit golf tournament permits issued under section 30-37g, (N) nonprofit public television corporation permits issued under section 30-37d, (O) Connecticut craft cafe permits issued under section 30-22d to permittees who held a manufacturer permit for a brew pub or a manufacturer permit for beer issued under subsection (b) of section 30-16, as amended by this act, and a brew pub before July 1, 2020, (P) offsite farm winery sales and wine, cider and mead tasting permits issued under section 30-16a, (Q) out-of-state retailer shipper's permits for wine issued under section 30-18a, (R) out-of-state winery shipper's permits for wine issued under section 30-18a, (S) in-state transporter's permits for alcoholic liquor issued under section 30-19f, including, but not limited to, boats operating under such permits, (T) seasonal outdoor open-air permits issued under section 30-22e, as amended by this act, (U) festival permits issued under section 30-37t, (V) temporary auction permits issued under section 2 of this act, (W) outdoor open-air permits issued under section 3 of this act, (X) event sales permits issued under section 5 of this act, and [(V)] (Y) renewals of any permit described in subparagraphs (A) to [(U)] (X), inclusive, of this subdivision, if applicable. The provisions of this subdivision regarding publication and placard display shall also be required of any applicant who seeks to

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- (4) In any case in which a permit has been issued to a partnership, if one or more of the partners dies or retires, the remaining partner or partners need not file a new application for the unexpired portion of the current permit, and no additional fee for such unexpired portion shall be required. Notice of any such change shall be given to the department and the permit shall be endorsed to show correct ownership. When any partnership changes by reason of the addition of one or more persons, a new application with new fees shall be required.
- Sec. 12. Subsection (a) of section 30-48 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
  - (a) No backer or permittee of one permit class shall be a backer or permittee of any other permit class except in the case of airline permits issued under section 30-28a, boats operating under in-state transporter's permits issued under section 30-19f, and cafe permits issued under subsections (d) and (h) of section 30-22a, except that: (1) A backer of a hotel permit issued under section 30-21 or a restaurant permit issued under section 30-22 may be a backer of both such classes; (2) a holder or backer of a restaurant permit issued under section 30-22 or a cafe permit issued under subsection (a) of section 30-22a may be a holder or backer of any other or all of such classes; (3) a holder or backer of a restaurant permit issued under section 30-22 may be a holder or backer of a cafe permit issued under subsection (f) of section 30-22a; (4) a backer of a restaurant permit issued under section 30-22 may be a backer of a coliseum permit issued under section 30-33a when such restaurant is within a coliseum; (5) a backer of a hotel permit issued under section 30-21 may be a backer of a coliseum permit issued under section 30-33a; (6) a backer of a grocery store beer permit issued under subsection (c) of section 30-20 may be (A) a backer of a package store permit issued under subsection (b) of section 30-20 if such was the case on or before May 1,

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1996, and (B) a backer of a restaurant permit issued under section 30-22, provided the restaurant permit premises do not abut or share the same space as the grocery store beer permit premises; (7) a backer of a cafe permit issued under subsection (j) of section 30-22a, may be a backer of a nonprofit theater permit issued under section 30-35a; (8) a backer of a nonprofit theater permit issued under section 30-35a may be a holder or backer of a hotel permit issued under section 30-21 or a coliseum permit issued under section 30-33a; (9) a backer of a concession permit issued under section 30-33 may be a backer of a coliseum permit issued under section 30-33a; (10) a holder of an out-of-state winery shipper's permit for wine issued under section 30-18a may be a holder of an in-state transporter's permit issued under section 30-19f; (11) a holder of an outof-state shipper's permit for alcoholic liquor issued under section 30-18 or an out-of-state winery shipper's permit for wine issued under section 30-18a may be a holder of an in-state transporter's permit issued under section 30-19f; (12) a holder of a manufacturer permit for a farm winery issued under subsection (c) of section 30-16, as amended by this act, or a manufacturer permit for wine, cider and mead issued under subsection (d) of section 30-16, as amended by this act, may be a holder of an in-state transporter's permit issued under section 30-19f, [a farmers' market sales permit issued under subsection (a) of section 30-370,] an off-site farm winery sales and tasting permit issued under section 30-16a or any combination of such permits; (13) [a holder of a manufacturer permit for beer issued under subsection (b) of section 30-16 may be a holder of a farmers' market sales permit issued under subsection (a) of section 30-370; (14)] the holder of a manufacturer permit for spirits, beer, a farm winery or wine, cider and mead, issued under subsection (a), (b), (c) or (d), respectively, of section 30-16, as amended by this act, may be a holder of a Connecticut craft cafe permit issued under section 30-22d, a restaurant permit or a restaurant permit for wine and beer issued under section 30-22, [; (15)] a farmers' market sales permit issued under section 30-370, as amended by this act, or an event sales permit issued under section 5 of this act; (14) the holder of a restaurant permit issued under section 30-22, a cafe permit issued under section 30-22a, or an in-state transporter's permit issued under section

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30-19f, may be the holder of a seasonal outdoor open-air permit issued under section 30-22e, as amended by this act, or an outdoor open-air permit issued under section 3 of this act; and [(16)] (15) the holder of a festival permit issued under section 30-37t may be the holder or backer of one or more of such other classes. Any person may be a permittee of more than one permit. No holder of a manufacturer permit for beer issued under subsection (b) of section 30-16, as amended by this act, and no spouse or child of such holder may be a holder or backer of more

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Sec. 13. Subsections (d) to (k), inclusive, of section 30-91 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(d) The sale or dispensing of alcoholic liquor for off-premises consumption in places operating under package store permits issued under subsection (b) of section 30-20, druggist permits issued under section 30-36, manufacturer permits issued under section 30-16, as amended by this act, grocery store beer permits issued under subsection (c) of section 30-20, [or] religious wine retailer permits issued under section 30-37s, temporary auction permits issued under section 2 of this act or event sales permits issued under section 5 of this act shall be unlawful on Thanksgiving Day, New Year's Day and Christmas; and such sale or dispensing of alcoholic liquor for off-premises consumption in places operating under package store permits, druggist permits, manufacturer permits for beer, grocery store beer permits, [and] religious wine retailer permits, temporary auction permits and event sales permits shall be unlawful on Sunday before ten o'clock a.m. and after six o'clock p.m. and on any other day before eight o'clock a.m. and after ten o'clock p.m. Any town may, by a vote of a town meeting or by ordinance, reduce the number of hours during which such sale shall be permissible.

(e) (1) In the case of any premises operating under a cafe permit issued under subsection (c) of section 30-22a, or a Connecticut craft cafe

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permit issued under section 30-22d, and wherein, under the provisions of this section, the sale of alcoholic liquor is forbidden on certain days or hours of the day, or during the period when such permit is suspended, it shall likewise be unlawful to keep such premises open to, or permit such premises to be occupied by, the public on such days or hours.

- (2) In the case of any premises operating under a cafe permit, it shall be unlawful to keep such premises open to, or permit such premises to be occupied by, the public between the hours of one o'clock a.m. and six o'clock a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and between the hours of two o'clock a.m. and six o'clock a.m. on Saturday and Sunday or during any period of time when such permit is suspended, provided the sale, dispensing or consumption of alcohol on such premises operating under such cafe permit shall be prohibited beyond the hours authorized for the sale, dispensing or consumption of alcohol for such premises under this section.
- (3) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, in the case of any premises operating under a cafe permit, it shall be lawful for such premises to be open to, or be occupied by, the public when such premises is being used as a site for film, television, video or digital production eligible for a film production tax credit pursuant to section 12-217jj, provided the sale, dispensing or consumption of alcohol on such premises operating under such cafe permit shall be prohibited beyond the hours authorized for the sale, dispensing or consumption of alcohol for such premises under this section.
- (f) The retail sale and the tasting of free samples of wine, cider not exceeding six per cent alcohol by volume, apple wine not exceeding fifteen per cent alcohol by volume, apple brandy, eau-de-vie and mead by visitors and prospective retail customers of a permittee holding a manufacturer permit for a farm winery <u>issued under subsection (c) of section 30-16, as amended by this act,</u> or a manufacturer permit for wine, cider and mead <u>issued under subsection (d) of section 30-16, as amended by this act,</u> on the premises of such permittee shall be unlawful

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on Sunday before ten o'clock a.m. and after ten o'clock p.m. and on any other day before eight o'clock a.m. and after ten o'clock p.m. Any town may, by vote of a town meeting or by ordinance, reduce the number of hours during which sales and the tasting of free samples of products under this subsection shall be permissible.

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- (g) Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (a) of this section, food or nonalcoholic beverages may be sold, dispensed or consumed in places operating under a cafe permit issued pursuant to subsection (d) of section 30-22a, at any time, as allowed by agreement between the Connecticut Airport Authority and its lessees or concessionaires. In the case of premises operating at Bradley International Airport under a cafe permit, the sale, dispensing or consumption or the presence in glasses or other receptacles suitable to permit the consumption of alcoholic liquor by an individual shall be unlawful on: (1) Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday between the hours of one o'clock a.m. and six o'clock a.m., (2) Saturday and Sunday between the hours of two o'clock a.m. and six o'clock a.m., (3) Christmas, except for alcoholic liquor that is served where food is also available during the hours otherwise permitted by this section for the day on which Christmas falls, and (4) January first between the hours of three o'clock a.m. and six o'clock a.m.
- (h) The sale or the dispensing or consumption or the presence in glasses or other receptacles suitable to permit the consumption of alcoholic liquor by an individual in places operating under a nonprofit golf tournament permit <u>issued under section 30-37g</u> shall be unlawful on any day prior to nine o'clock a.m. and after ten o'clock p.m.
- (i) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any permittee to continue the sale or dispensing of alcoholic liquor until the closing hour established under this section.
- (j) The retail sale of alcoholic liquor, and the provision of samples or tastings of alcoholic liquor, to festival visitors at a festival organized and sponsored under a festival permit issued under section 30-37t shall be

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unlawful on Sunday before ten o'clock a.m. and after six o'clock p.m., and on any other day before eight o'clock a.m. and after ten o'clock p.m. Any town may, by vote of a town meeting or by ordinance, reduce the number of hours during which the retail sale, tasting or sampling of

alcoholic liquor under this subsection shall be permissible.

- (k) The sale of products at a farmers' market by a permittee holding a farmers' market sales permit pursuant to [subsection (a) of] section 30-370, as amended by this act, shall be unlawful on any day before eight o'clock a.m. and after ten o'clock p.m., provided such permittee shall not sell such products at a farmers' market at any time during such hours that the farmers' market is not open to the public. Any town may, by vote of a town meeting or by ordinance, reduce the number of hours during which sales of products under this subsection shall be permissible.
- Sec. 14. Section 30-114 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
  - (a) As used in this section, "beer keg" means any brewery-sealed individual container of beer having a liquid capacity of six gallons or more.
  - (b) Any holder of a package store permit or a grocery store beer permit under section 30-20 that sells <u>beer</u> kegs for consumption off the permit premises shall, at the time of sale, (1) place an identification tag on all <u>beer</u> kegs sold by the permittee, (2) require each purchaser of any such <u>beer</u> keg to sign a receipt for the <u>beer</u> keg, and (3) inform such purchaser that any deposit paid by the purchaser for the <u>beer</u> keg, if required, shall be forfeited if the <u>beer</u> keg is returned without the original identification tag intact and readable.
  - (c) (1) The identification tag required under subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section shall be in the form of a numbered label, prescribed and furnished by the department, that clearly identifies the seller of the <u>beer</u> keg. Such tags shall be fabricated and made attachable in such a manner as to make the tag easily removable by a beer

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manufacturer for the purpose of cleaning and reusing the beer keg.

- (2) The receipt required under subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section shall be on a form prescribed and furnished by the department and shall include the name, address and signature of the purchaser of the <u>beer</u> keg and the purchaser's motor vehicle operator's license number or such other identifying information as the department may prescribe by regulation under section 30-6a, as amended by this act. The permittee shall retain a copy of all such receipts on the permit premises for a period of six months. Such receipts shall be available for inspection and copying by the department or any authorized criminal justice agency.
- (3) The information required under subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of this section may be given verbally to each purchaser of a <u>beer</u> keg or may be provided by means of a sign conspicuously posted at the point of sale in such form and containing such disclosures as the department may require by regulation under section 30-6a, as amended by this act.
- (4) The department may charge a reasonable fee for furnishing the forms required by subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, not to exceed the actual cost of furnishing such forms.
- (d) No holder of a package store permit or a grocery store beer permit under section 30-20 may refund any deposit upon the return of any <u>beer</u> keg that (1) does not have an identification tag required under subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section or (2) has an identification tag that has been defaced to the extent that the information contained on the tag cannot be read.
- (e) The violation by any holder of a package store permit or a grocery store beer permit under section 30-20 of any provision of this section shall be cause for revocation or suspension of such permit under section 30-55.
- Sec. 15. Section 30-115 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

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1089	(a) For the purposes of this section:		
1090	(1) "Beer keg" has the same meaning as provided in section 30-114, as		
1091	amended by this act;		
1092	(2) "Cocktail keg" has the same meaning as provided in section 4 of		
1093	this act; and		
1094	(3) "Qualified retail permittee" has the same meaning as provided in		
1095	section 4 of this act.		
1096	[(a)] (b) (1) Any person who possesses any beer keg [containing beer]		
1097	that is required to have an identification tag pursuant to section 30-114,		
1098	as amended by this act, knowing that such beer keg does not have such		
1099	required identification tag, shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.		
1100	This subsection shall not apply to any manufacturer, shipper,		
1101	wholesaler or retail seller of beer, or to any person who finds a discarded		
1102	beer keg [containing beer] on such person's property.		
1103	(2) Any person who possesses any cocktail keg that is required to		
1104	have an identification tag pursuant to section 4 of this act, knowing that		
1105	such cocktail keg does not have such required identification tag, shall be		
1106	guilty of a class C misdemeanor. This subsection shall not apply to any		
1107	manufacturer, shipper, wholesaler or qualified retail permittee, or to		
1108	any person who finds a discarded cocktail keg on such person's		
1109	property.		
1110	[(b)] (c) Any person who purchases any beer keg [containing beer] or		
1111	cocktail keg and who knowingly provides false information on any		
1112	receipt required by section 30-114, as amended by this act, or section 4		
1113	of this act, as applicable, at the time of such purchase shall be guilty o		
1114	a class C misdemeanor.		
1115	Sec. 16. Section 29-305 of the general statutes is repealed and the		
1116	following is substituted in lieu thereof ( <i>Effective from passage</i> ):		
1117	(a) Each local fire marshal and the State Fire Marshal, for the purpose		
1118	of satisfying themselves that all pertinent statutes and regulations are		

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the Fire Safety Code and the State Fire Prevention Code within their

1122 respective jurisdictions.

- (b) Each local fire marshal shall inspect or cause to be inspected, at least once each calendar year or as often as prescribed by the State Fire Marshal pursuant to subsection (e) of this section, in the interests of public safety, all buildings and facilities of public service and all occupancies regulated by the Fire Safety Code or State Fire Prevention Code within the local fire marshal's jurisdiction, except residential buildings designed to be occupied by one or two families which shall be inspected, upon complaint or request of an owner or occupant, only for the purpose of determining whether the requirements specified in said codes relative to smoke detection and warning equipment have been satisfied. In the case of a school building, each local fire marshal shall submit a written report to the local or regional board of education documenting each such inspection.
- (c) Upon receipt by the State Fire Marshal of information from an authentic source that any other building or facility within the State Fire Marshal's jurisdiction is hazardous to life safety from fire, the State Fire Marshal shall inspect such building or facility.
- (d) Upon receipt by the local fire marshal of information from an authentic source that any other building or facility within the local fire marshal's jurisdiction is hazardous to life safety from fire, the local fire marshal shall inspect such building or facility. In each case in which the local fire marshal conducts an inspection, the local fire marshal shall be satisfied that all pertinent statutes and regulations are complied with, and shall keep a record of such investigations. Such local fire marshal or a designee shall have the right of entry at all reasonable hours into or upon any premises within the local fire marshal's jurisdiction for the performance of the fire marshal's duties except that occupied dwellings and habitations, exclusive of common use passageways and rooms in tenement houses, hotels and rooming houses, may only be entered for

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inspections between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except in the event of any emergency requiring immediate attention for life safety, or in the interests of public safety. Each local fire marshal shall make a monthly report to the authority which appointed the local fire marshal and shall be paid for [his or her] such local fire marshal's services in making such inspections of buildings, facilities, processes, equipment, systems and other areas the compensation agreed upon with such appointing authority.

- (e) The State Fire Marshal may adopt amendments to the Fire Safety Code and the State Fire Prevention Code regarding requirements for the frequency of inspections of different building uses regulated by the codes and set forth a schedule of inspections, except for inspections of residential buildings designed to be occupied by three or more families, that are less frequent than yearly if the interests of public safety can be met by less frequent inspections.
- (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) to (e), inclusive, of this section, neither any local fire marshal nor the State Fire Marshal may require the permit premises under any permit or permits issued under chapter 545 to be inspected more than once during any calendar year.
- Sec. 17. Section 12-435 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
  - Each distributor of alcoholic beverages shall pay a tax to the state on all sales within the state of alcoholic beverages, except sales to licensed distributors, sales of alcoholic beverages that, in the course of such sales, are actually transported to some point without the state and except the first fifteen barrels of beer that is produced annually and consumed on the premises covered by a manufacturer's permit, at the rates for the respective categories of alcoholic beverages listed below:
  - (1) (A) For sales occurring prior to July 1, 2023, beer, except as provided in subdivision (2) of this section, seven dollars and twenty cents for each barrel, three dollars and sixty cents for each half barrel,

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- (B) For sales occurring on or after July 1, 2023, liquor, six dollars for each barrel, three dollars for each half barrel, one dollar and fifty cents for each quarter barrel and twenty cents per wine gallon or fraction thereof on quantities less than a quarter barrel;
- 1203 (4) Still wines containing not more than twenty-one per cent of 1204 absolute alcohol, except as provided in subdivisions (8) and (9) of this 1205 section, seventy-nine cents per wine gallon;
- 1206 (5) Still wines containing more than twenty-one per cent of absolute 1207 alcohol and sparkling wines, one dollar and ninety-eight cents per wine 1208 gallon;
- (6) [Alcohol] (A) For sales occurring prior to July 1, 2023, alcohol in excess of [100] one hundred proof, five dollars and ninety-four cents per proof gallon;
- 1212 (B) For sales occurring on or after July 1, 2023, alcohol in excess of one 1213 hundred proof, six dollars for each barrel, three dollars for each half

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- 1214 barrel, one dollar and fifty cents for each quarter barrel and twenty cents
- 1215 per wine gallon or fraction thereof on quantities less than a quarter
- 1216 barrel;
- 1217 (7) [Liquor] (A) For sales occurring prior to July 1, 2023, liquor coolers
- 1218 containing not more than seven per cent of alcohol by volume, two
- 1219 dollars and seventy-one cents per wine gallon;
- 1220 (B) For sales occurring on or after July 1, 2023, liquor coolers
- 1221 containing not more than seven per cent of alcohol by volume, six
- 1222 dollars for each barrel, three dollars for each half barrel, one dollar and
- 1223 fifty cents for each quarter barrel and twenty cents per wine gallon or
- 1224 fraction thereof on quantities less than a quarter barrel;
- 1225 (8) Still wine containing not more than twenty-one per cent of
- 1226 absolute alcohol, produced by a person who produces not more than
- 1227 fifty-five thousand wine gallons of wine during the calendar year,
- 1228 twenty cents per wine gallon, provided such person presents to each
- 1229 distributor of alcoholic beverages described in this section a certificate,
- 1230 issued by the commissioner, stating that such person produces not more
- 1231 than fifty-five thousand wine gallons of wine during the calendar year.
- 1232 The commissioner is authorized to issue such certificates, prescribe the
- 1233 procedures for obtaining such certificates and prescribe their form; and
- 1234 (9) Cider containing not more than seven per cent of absolute alcohol,
- 1235 seven dollars and ninety-two cents for each barrel, three dollars and
- 1236 ninety-six cents for each half barrel, one dollar and ninety-eight cents
- 1237 for each quarter barrel and twenty-six cents per wine gallon or fraction
- 1238 thereof on quantities less than a quarter barrel.
- 1239 Sec. 18. Subsection (b) of section 19a-342 of the general statutes is
- 1240 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October
- 1241 1, 2023):
- 1242 (b) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 31-40q, no person
- 1243 shall smoke: (A) In any area of a building or portion of a building,
- 1244 owned and operated or leased and operated by the state or any political

LCO No. 3128 **39** of 45 subdivision of the state; (B) in any area of a health care institution, including, but not limited to, a psychiatric facility; (C) in any area of a retail establishment accessed by the general public; (D) in any restaurant; (E) in any area of an establishment with a permit issued for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-20a, 30-21, 30-21b, 30-22, 30-22c, 30-28, 30-28a, 30-33a, 30-33b, 30-35a, 30-37a, 30-37e or 30-37f, in any area of an establishment with a permit for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-22aa issued after May 1, 2003, and, on and after April 1, 2004, in any area of an establishment with a permit issued for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-22a or 30-26; (F) in any area of a school building or on the grounds of such school; (G) within a child care facility or on the grounds of such child care facility, except, if the child care facility is a family child care home, as defined in section 19a-77, such smoking is prohibited only when a child enrolled in such home is present during customary business hours; (H) in any passenger elevator; (I) in any area of a dormitory in any public or private institution of higher education; (J) in any area of a dog race track or a facility equipped with screens for the simulcasting of off-track betting race programs or jai alai games; (K) in any room offered as an accommodation to guests by the operator of a hotel, motel or similar lodging; (L) in any area of a correctional facility or halfway house; or (M) in any area of a platform or a shelter at a rail, busway or bus station, owned and operated or leased and operated by the state or any political subdivision of the state. For purposes of this subsection, "restaurant" means space, in a suitable and permanent building, kept, used, maintained, advertised and held out to the public to be a place where meals are regularly served to the public, "school" has the same meaning as provided in section 10-154a and "child care facility" has the same meaning as provided in section 19a-342a, as amended by this act.

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(2) Subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not apply to the following: (A) Public housing projects, as defined in subsection (b) of section 21a-278a; (B) any classroom where demonstration smoking is taking place as part of a medical or scientific experiment or lesson; (C) notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (E) of subdivision (1)

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of this subsection, the outdoor portion of the premises of any permittee listed in subparagraph (E) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, provided, in the case of any seating area maintained for the service of food, at least seventy-five per cent of the outdoor seating capacity is an area in which smoking is prohibited and which is clearly designated with written signage as a nonsmoking area, except that any temporary seating area established for special events and not used on a regular basis shall not be subject to the smoking prohibition or signage requirements of this subparagraph; (D) any medical research site where smoking is integral to the research being conducted; or (E) any tobacco bar, provided [no tobacco bar shall expand in size or change its location from its size or location as of December 31, 2002] a tobacco bar that commences operations on or after October 1, 2023, shall (i) be located in a stand-alone building or, if such tobacco bar is connected to another building, use such tobacco bar's own heating, ventilation or air conditioning system to prevent commingling of air, (ii) have a walk-in humidor on the premises, and (iii) not be located within a five-mile radius of any existing tobacco bar. For purposes of this subdivision, "outdoor" means an area which has no roof or other ceiling enclosure; [,] "tobacco bar" means an establishment with a permit for the sale of alcoholic liquor to consumers issued pursuant to chapter 545 that [,] (I) in the calendar year ending December 31, 2002, generated ten per cent or more of its total annual gross income from the on-site sale of tobacco products and the rental of on-site humidors, or (II) for any tobacco bar that commences operations on or after October 1, 2023, generates at least fifty-one per cent of such tobacco bar's gross income in a calendar year from on-site sales of tobacco products and on-site humidor rentals; and "tobacco product" means any substance that contains tobacco, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco or chewing tobacco, except "tobacco product" does not include cannabis.

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Sec. 19. Subsection (b) of section 19a-342a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October* 1, 2023):

(b) (1) No person shall use an electronic nicotine or cannabis delivery

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system or vapor product: (A) In any area of a building or portion of a building owned and operated or leased and operated by the state or any political subdivision of the state; (B) in any area of a health care institution, including, but not limited to, a psychiatric facility; (C) in any area of a retail establishment accessed by the public; (D) in any restaurant; (E) in any area of an establishment with a permit issued for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-20a, 30-21, 30-21b, 30-22, 30-22a, 30-22c, 30-26, 30-28, 30-28a, 30-33a, 30-33b, 30-35a, 30-37a, 30-37e or 30-37f, in any area of establishment with a permit issued for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-22aa issued after May 1, 2003; (F) in any area of a school building or on the grounds of such school; (G) within a child care facility or on the grounds of such child care facility, except, if the child care facility is a family child care home as defined in section 19a-77, such use is prohibited only when a child enrolled in such home is present during customary business hours; (H) in any passenger elevator; (I) in any area of a dormitory in any public or private institution of higher education; (J) in any area of a dog race track or a facility equipped with screens for the simulcasting of off-track betting race programs or jai alai games; (K) in any room offered as an accommodation to guests by the operator of a hotel, motel or similar lodging; (L) in any area of a correctional facility, halfway house or residential facility funded by the Judicial Branch; or (M) in any area of a platform or a shelter at a rail, busway or bus station, owned and operated or leased and operated by the state or any political subdivision of the state. For purposes of this subsection, "restaurant" means space, in a suitable and permanent building, kept, used, maintained, advertised and held out to the public to be a place where meals are regularly served to the public; [,] and "school" has the same meaning as provided in section 10-154a.

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(2) Subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not apply to the following: (A) Public housing projects, as defined in subsection (b) of section 21a-278a; (B) any classroom where a demonstration of the use of an electronic nicotine or cannabis delivery system or vapor product is taking place as part of a medical or scientific experiment or lesson; (C)

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any medical research site where the use of an electronic nicotine or cannabis delivery system or vapor product is integral to the research being conducted; (D) establishments without a permit for the sale of alcoholic liquor that sell electronic nicotine delivery systems, vapor products or liquid nicotine containers on-site and allow their customers to use such systems, products or containers on-site; (E) notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (E) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the outdoor portion of the premises of any permittee listed in subparagraph (E) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, provided, in the case of any seating area maintained for the service of food, at least seventy-five per cent of the outdoor seating capacity is an area in which smoking is prohibited and which is clearly designated with written signage as a nonsmoking area, except that any temporary seating area established for special events and not used on a regular basis shall not be subject to the prohibition on the use of an electronic nicotine or cannabis delivery system or vapor product or the signage requirements of this subparagraph; or (F) any tobacco bar, provided [no tobacco bar shall expand in size or change its location from its size or location as of October 1, 2015] a tobacco bar that commences operations on or after October 1, 2023, shall (i) be located in a stand-alone building or, if such tobacco bar is connected to another building, use such tobacco bar's own heating, ventilation or air conditioning system to prevent commingling of air, (ii) have a walk-in humidor on the premises, and (iii) not be located within a three-mile radius of any existing tobacco bar unless allowed under municipal zoning regulations. For purposes of this subdivision, "outdoor" means an area which has no roof or other ceiling enclosure; [,] "tobacco bar" means an establishment with a permit for the sale of alcoholic liquor to consumers issued pursuant to chapter 545 that [,] (I) in the calendar year ending December 31, 2015, generated ten per cent or more of its total annual gross income from the on-site sale of tobacco products and the rental of on-site humidors, or (II) for any tobacco bar that commences operations on or after October 1, 2023, generates at least fifty-one per cent of such tobacco bar's gross income in a calendar year from on-site sales of tobacco products and on-site humidor rentals; and "tobacco product" means any substance that

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contains tobacco, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco or chewing tobacco, except that "tobacco product" does not include cannabis.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following				
sections:				
Section 1	from passage	30-1		
Sec. 2	from passage	New section		
Sec. 3	from passage	New section		
Sec. 4	from passage	New section		
Sec. 5	from passage	New section		
Sec. 6	from passage	30-6a		
Sec. 7	from passage	30-14(a) and (b)		
Sec. 8	from passage	30-16		
Sec. 9	from passage	30-22e		
Sec. 10	from passage	30-37o		
Sec. 11	from passage	30-39(b)		
Sec. 12	from passage	30-48(a)		
Sec. 13	from passage	30-91(d) to (k)		
Sec. 14	from passage	30-114		
Sec. 15	from passage	30-115		
Sec. 16	from passage	29-305		
Sec. 17	from passage	12-435		
Sec. 18	October 1, 2023	19a-342(b)		
Sec. 19	October 1, 2023	19a-342a(b)		

## Statement of Purpose:

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To: (1) Establish permits for the retail sale of alcoholic liquor at auction, annual outdoor open-air liquor permits and event sales permits; (2) authorize wholesaler permittees to sell kegs containing cocktails and premixed drinks to certain retail permittees for on-premises consumption; (3) require the Commissioner of Consumer Protection to amend certain regulations in order to provide that certain pipes and lines used to serve alcoholic liquor shall be cleaned at least once every two weeks; (4) eliminate the prohibition against provisional seasonal outdoor open-air liquor permits; (5) authorize spirits manufacturers to sell products they manufacture under farmers' market sales permits; (6) provide that neither the State Fire Marshal nor any local fire marshal may require any liquor permit premises to be inspected more than once during any calendar year; (7) amend the alcoholic beverages tax to

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[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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